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SUBJECT: ROCAMORA-MIGUEL CONFLICT

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1. MININTERIOR ROCAMORA TOLD NEWSMEN FEB 27 THAT HIS EXCHANGE OF WORDS WITH UOM LEADER LORENZO MIGUEL (REFTEL) HAD BEEN NOTHING MORE THAN "FAMILY TIFF" WHICH HAD BEEN COMPLETELY SETTLED "WITHOUT CONSEQUENCES OR SEQUELS OF ANY TYPE". HOWEVER, UOM AND LABOR REACTION THUS FAR TENDS TO BELIE STATEMENT. FOLLOWING CONFUSED EPISODE EVENING FEB 26 WHEN LARGE CONTINGENT POLICE ATTEMPTED TO ENTER UOM HEADQUARTERS, BUT WERE REBUFFED BY UOM SECURITY GUARDS, BOTH CGT AND 62 ORGANIZATIONS RELEASED COMMUNIQUE STRONGLY CONDEMNING ACTION, WHICH THEY ATTRIBUTE TO ROCAMORA. ROCAMORA BLANDLY COMMENTED THAT POLICE ACTION WAS TAKEN FOLLOWING CITIZEN'S REPORT THAT "HEAVILY ARMED MEN WERE ENTERING UOM" TO TAKE OVER BUILDING. ACCORDING TO ROCAMORA, INCIDENT WAS SIMPLY INNOCENT MISTAKE AS POLICE LATER DISCOVERED THAT MEN WERE "ONLY MIGUEL'S BODYGUARDS".

2. UNCONFIRMED PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT MIGUEL AND ROCAMORA WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT PERON FEB 28 IN ATTEMPT RESOLVE CONFLICT. TO DATE, AUL LASTIRI HAS BEEN ACTING AS INTERMEDIARY IN DISPUTE.

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3. ROCAMORA ALSO TOOK ADVANTAGE OF PRESS CONFERENCE
TO CONTINUE HIS ATTACK ON CORDOBA INTERVENTOR LACABANNE.
REFERRING TO KIDNAPPING OF AMERICAN CONSUL EGAN, ROCAMORA
OBSERVED THAT CORDOBA IS STILL MAJOR "FOCUS OF GUERRILLA
ACTIVITY", BUT THAT THERE WERE NO PLANS TO REPLACE LACABANNE,
"FOR THE MOMENT".
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